

When thinking of countries that have greatly limited or no access to the internet as it is known in the United States, images of countries like North Korea and the volatile, delicate situation of China come to mind. When thinking of the United States of America, a single word comes to mind--freedom. Freedom does not have capitalism as its gate keeper, the freedom that the US promises is not for the wealthy--it is for the sick, the poor, the displaced, and those looking to build a brighter future. That has been the goal and mantra of this country since its inception in the late 18th century. Given the technology driven world we currently live in, the loss of net neutrality would make freedom something available only to the highest paying customer. Job applications, education opportunities, insurance management, and even full-time jobs are on the internet and by removing net neutrality and installing a pay-wall, many would be denied access to any of these things simply because of a corporation's need to earn a higher profit. There are those that are happy with this outcome, they have sent bots to auto register filings for this proceeding with the same copy-pasted comments. There are those that are happy with this outcome because then they will add to their already grossly exorbitant earnings. Those two groups combined pale in the shadow of the majority who uphold net neutrality as one of the freedoms of the modern America.

Please, uphold net neutrality. Uphold the freedom it instills in our daily lives, the freedom that America claims to be focused on.